Oil has been discovered in the Banner district of Rajasthan. The reservoir is yet to be fully delineated.

Government is encouraging participation of Parivate/Point venture companies in exploration blocks in Rajasthan under New Exploration Licensing Pollicy(NELP) to explore and exploit reserves of oil and natural gas.

**Recruitment of Management Trainees in EIL**

2397. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI: Will the the MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Engineers India Limited (EIL) are recruiting Management Trainees direct from Engineering colleges located in different parts of the country;

(b) whether it is also a fact that these management trainees are then absorbed in the FIL;

(c) if so, the details of such management trainees absorbed by the EIL during the last three years with the names of colleges from where these trainees are taken; and

(d) what is the policy with regard to such selection, recruitment and absorption of candidates?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI E. PONNUSWAMY): (a) to (d) Information is given in the statement.

**Statement**

Engineers India Limited (EIL) recruits fresh engineering graduates as Management Trainees every year usually through campus interviews from select institutes. Some of the EIL SC/ST scholarship holders from various engineering colleges are also interviewed for recruitment as Management Trainees depending upon the requirement. The Management Trainees are provided training under the Apprentices Act. Candidates are interviewed based on the prescribed criteria and depending on the number of vacancies. Majority of the Management Trainees recruited are fresh engineering graduates. However, some fresh Management postgraduates as well as some fresh post-graduates in Computer Application are also inducted as Management Trainees from time to time. The selection procedure is the same as in the case of fresh engineering graduates. These Management Trainees are absorbed in the Company on successful completion of one year training which is based on appraisal and absorption interview.

Details of Management Trainees absorbed by EIL during the last three years are as follows:—

| Year | Number of Management Trainees absorbed |
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| 1997 | 61 (Induction year: 1996) |
| 1998 | 102 (Induction year : 1997) |
| 1999 | 112 (Induction year : 1998) |

Names of colleges from where Management Trainees were taken through campus interviews are as follows:—

UTs, Delhi/Kanpur/Kharagpur/Chennai; IT, BHU(Varansai); University of Roorkee; Delhi College of Engineering; Netaji Subash Institute of Technology, Delhi; Thapar Institute of Engineering & Technology, Patiala; Madras Institute of Technology, Chennai; Jadavpur University, Calcutta; North Eastern Regional Institute of Science & Technology, Arunachal Pradesh; Dayalbagh Educational Institute, Agra; REC, Durgapur; Bihar College of Engineering, Patna; Institute of Management Technology, Ghaziabad; Xavier Institute of Social Studies, Ranchi; Lucknow University; Indian School of Mines, Dhanbad; College of Ceramic Technology, Calcutta; Central Electrochemical Research Institute, Karaikudi; REC, Allahabad; REC, Surathkhal; College of Engineering & Technology, Bhubaneswar; Kurukshetra University, Management Development Institute, Gurgaon; Amity Business School, Noida; Punjab Engineering College, Chandigarh; Bihar Institute of Technology, Sindri; M.S. University, Vadodara; LD College, Ahmedabad; College of Engineering, Pune; REC, Hamirpur; Muzaffarpur Institute of Technology; Vellore Engineering College; Vishwakarma Institute of Technology, Pune; University College of Technology, Hyderabad.

**Supply of Natural Gas to Amguri Project in Assam**

2398. SHRI DRUPAD BORGOHAIN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is approached for the supply of natural gas to Amguri project in Assam;